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SUBJECT: REPATRIATION OF BENGALIS AND PAKISTANIS

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE BEING ISSUED  
NOVEMBER 6.

BEGIN TEXT. THE UNITED STATES WILL CONTRIBUTE DOLLARS  
2 MILLION TOWARD SUPPORT OF A MASSIVE TWO-WAY AIRLIFT OF  
REFUGEES BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND PAKISTAN, THE DEPARTMENT  
OF STATE ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION, AUTHORIZED BY PRESIDENT NIXON,  
RESPONDS TO APPEALS FROM UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY GENERAL  
KURT WALDHEIM AND SADRUDIN AGA KHAN, U.N. HIGH COM-  
MISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR).

THE AIRLIFT IS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE DELHI AGREEMENT OF  
AUGUST 28, 1973, UNDER WHICH MORE THAN 200,000 PERSONS  
ARE TO BE REPATRIATED OR RESETTLED. ABOUT 50,000 PERSONS  
HAVE BEEN MOVED TO DATE, AT THE RATE OF APPROXIMATELY 800  
A DAY.

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PLEDGES, INCLUDING THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION, AMOUNT TO  
DOLLARS 5.7 MILLION; OTHER CONTRIBUTORS THUS FAR INCLUDE  
AUSTRALIA, DENMARK, JAPAN, LIECHTENSTEIN, THE NETHERLANDS,  
NORWAY, SWEDEN AND TURKEY. EAST GERMANY AND THE SOVIET  
UNION BILATERALLY, AND THE UNITED KINGDOM THROUGH THE  
UNHCR, HAVE CONTRIBUTED THE USE OF AIRCRAFT.

THE MOVEMENT IS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE UNHCR ASSISTED  
BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS (ICRC).  
PRESIDENT NIXON'S DETERMINATION ORDER WAS MADE UNDER  
PROVISIONS OF THE MIGRATION AND REFUGEE ASSISTANCE ACT  
OF 1962. THE UNITED STATES WILL MAINTAIN A CONTINUING  
INTEREST IN THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THIS IMPORTANT  
HUMANITARIAN UNDERTAKING AND WILL CONSIDER ADDITIONAL  
SUPPORT IN RELATION TO NEEDS AS THEY ARISE, AND TO THE  
CONTRIBUTIONS OF OTHER NATIONS. END TEXT. KISSINGER

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